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## THE HORSE SALE.

### The Greatest Yet—Buyers Here From All Parts of The Country.

The big three days' annual sale of pleasure and business horses in Mexico last week was the greatest yet. Buyers here from all parts of the United States.

The highest priced animal brought \$975. That money was paid by Geo. R. Clark of Meriden, Conn., for Royal Highness, owned by Moore & Noel of this city. Some of the horses were beauties, and ladies as well as men watched the selling thruout the three days.

#### Other sales were:

Masterpiece, owned by Moore & Noel, sold to R. G. Lohr, of Joliet, Ill., for \$705.

A chestnut gelding, owned by Hook & Woods, of Paris Mo., sold for \$635.

Glory, a chestnut combined saddle and harness gelding, owned by C. D. Turner, of Jefferson City, sold to T. W. Atkins, of Omalgee, Okla., for \$240.

Sparkling Gem, owned by Lee Bros., of this city, sold to E. D. Pendleton, of East St. Louis, Ill., for \$400.

Hamilton Bros. south of Mexico, bought Lady C., owned by Hook & Woods, for \$280.

James Lockridge, of Fayette, Mo., bought a chestnut combined saddle and harness mare for \$190.

The Master, gray combined saddle and harness gelding, bought by F. A. Huddleson, of Webster City, Iowa, for \$250.

Belle McDonald, owned by S. M. Yager, Rowena, Mo., sold to J. C. Cabell, Bosworth, Mo., \$300.

Noel's King, grey saddle gelding, owned by Moore & Noel, sold to Harry Brown, Centralia, Mo., \$175.

Brown combined saddle and harness gelding, owned by Moore & Noel, sold to McElhinney & Cherry Holmes, Morning Sun, Ia., \$160.

Chloe, combined saddle and harness mare, owned by S. M. Yager, sold to C. R. Wells, \$250.

Bay saddle gelding, owned by Hughes & Luckie, Montgomery City, Mo., sold to McElhinney & Cherry Holmes, \$140.

Golden Duke, combined saddle and harness gelding, owned by Hook & Woods, sold for \$220.

Bay combined gelding, owned by Dunlap & Coons, Fulton, Mo., sold to T. W. Atkins, \$225.

Jack O'Rear, owned by Hook & Woods, chestnut show gelding, sold to J. C. Cabell, \$635.

Ghengris Khan, harness stallion, owned by O. J. Mooers, Columbia, Mo., sold to O. C. Blackburn, Vandalia, Mo., \$145.

Bay combined gelding, owned by Moore & Noel, sold to Hans Berg, \$200.

Grey saddle gelding, owned by Edgar Brett, sold to Jeff Woods, of Callaway county, \$120.

Bay harness gelding, owned by Lee Bros., sold to J. C. Cabell, Bosworth, Mo., \$95.

Bay pony, owned by Buckman & Mudd, sold to D. A. Thrall, Hartford, Conn., \$95.

Garwood, owned by S. G. Wood, of Auxvasse, Mo., sold to Hamilton Bros., Keota, Iowa, \$205.

Bay combined gelding, owned by Lee Bros., sold to B. H. Coons, of Upper Alton, Ill., \$250.

Yellow Rose, owned by S. G. Wood, sold to P. M. Gross, Macon, Mo., \$225.

Texas Jack, owned by Hook & Woods, sold to Dr. M. W. Steiner, St. Joseph, Mo., \$630.

Chestnut harness gelding, owned by Buckman & Mudd, sold to R. L. Hawkins, East St. Louis, Ill.,

\$175.

Miss Sinclair, consigned by Hughes & Luckie of Montgomery City, bought by Prof. Smith of the University of Minnesota for \$575.

Billie the Scout, owned by Hook & Woods, to W. C. McCann of Holliday, Mo., for \$590.

Gay Boy, owned by Tom Bass, to H. W. Jacobs, Topeka, Kans., \$625.

Lon L. Lemon of Vandalia, King Chestnut gelding, to John Atkins of Vandalia, for \$190; O. H. Brown of Mexico, Rex Chief, bay show gelding, to Geo. L. Clark, \$425; Earl Carter of Mexico, dun gelding, to McElhinney & Cherryholmes, Morning Sun, Iowa, \$175; D. E. Woodworth, Thompson, Mo., Dandy Jim, gray combined gelding, to J. Lemon, \$200; James Brown, Laddonia, Mo., bay saddle gelding, to Chas. Peterson, \$150; Thurman Chapman, Thompson, Mo., Ike, black harness gelding, to J. H. Bruning, Easton, Ill., \$185.

The auctioneers at the big sale were J. T. Johnson and J. G. Ford, of Mexico; C. H. Carroll, of Vandalia, and P. M. Gross, of St. Louis.

## POWELL FORD.

We had a big rain and some hail Friday, April 12, and another big rain Saturday evening. Not many got their oats in, ground too wet. Very few in this vicinity have planted any garden. Grass is looking fine. Some have put their stock out on pasture.

Mr. and Mrs. Euell Pasley visited relatives near Auxvasse last Thursday and Friday.

Miss Ruth Cook will close her eight months' term of school next Friday at Carter school, in this neighborhood.

Miss Mary Cordelia Mason, ill of measles, getting along nicely. Mrs. Wallace Johnson and sister, Miss Lena Hamilton, spent Saturday night and Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hamilton, west of Mexico.

Miss Carrie Kennan of Mexico is the guest of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mason.

Earl Carter dipped some of his sheep Monday and also week before last.

Several in this community attended the big horse sale at Mexico last week. All enjoyed the pretty horses.

All were sorry to hear of the death of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Barnes' little boy, of Manitou, Okla., and we wish to extend sympathy to the bereaved ones.

## Centralia to Debate.

Montgomery City, Mo., April 12.—The high schools of Montgomery City and Centralia have arranged for a debate at the opera house here April 26. Question: "Resolved, That War Will Remain the Deciding Factor in Settlement of International Disputes," with Montgomery City on the negative side.

Prof. Geo. F. Nardin, of Savannah, Mo., has declined, after being elected, to serve as superintendent of the Mexico public schools. The Savannah people paid Mr. Nardin \$200 more to remain with their schools, and the Mexico school board is still looking for a superintendent.

Allen Stallings, who has been at Excelsior Springs for some time for the benefit of his health, is much improved, we are glad to hear. He is now at Savannah, where there is a branch sanitarium from Excelsior Springs.

Mrs. Willard Atkinson and small daughter, Katherine May, of St. Louis are visiting Mexico relatives.

## MR. FRENCH DEAD.

### One of Martinsburg's Highly Valued Citizens Passes Away.

Mr. E. P. French, born in Christian county, Ky., Nov. 28, 1829,—82 years, four months and 13 days old, died at his home at Martinsburg, last Thursday night, at midnight. He had been in declining health for some time. Mr. French, with his parents, moved to Missouri when the former was but about eight years of age. The family settled in Audrain county, later moving to Callaway county. His father died later and then E. P. returned to his native state to live with his grandparents. He attended school and learned the carpenter's trade, and in 1850 he returned to Missouri, following his trade here for a number of years. In 1875 he and John G. and Wm. H. Coil formed a partnership in the mercantile business at Martinsburg. Later he sold out and then went to Callaway county where he resided for a couple of years. Afterwards he returned to Audrain where he followed farming for a number of years. He was a man of genius and foresight and was successful in all his undertakings. He was vice-president of the Martinsburg Bank at the time of his death; his only child, Pinekey French, is the cashier of the said bank.

Deceased was a highly intelligent and upright citizen, and his death is a great loss to the community. He was a prominent Mason and the body was brought to Mexico Saturday morning and put away in deceased's vault in Elmwood with Masonic honors. We extend our sincerest sympathies to the bereaved ones.

## LIBERTY AND BENTON CITY.

The big rain here last Friday stopped oats sowing for this week.

Mrs. Abe Pierson is on the sick list.

Mrs. Barbary Rhodes was a Wellsview visitor this week.

Charley Kidwell's have moved to Raymond White's where they will crop this summer.

White Mr. and Mrs. John Hampton were driving up Broadway their team frightened and ran away, throwing both Mr. and Mrs. Hampton out of the buggy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ab Romans were Mexico shoppers Friday.

Will Harvey, our Wabash section boss, is moving back to Mexico.

J. T. Allen was in Mexico Friday on business.

Henry Hilderbrand's team ran off but no damage done.

Mrs. Ab Williams has the measles.

We understand Benton City is to have a new barber shop.

Mrs. Will Ravenscraft and baby have the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Allen spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Mundy.

Reube Mundy is on the sick list.

## Donates Site.

F. T. Harris, north of Mexico, we understand, has donated ground for a cabin site for the Boy Scouts. It is near a fine spring on Skull Lick, which stream runs thru Mr. Harris' farm. The site is also within a stone's throw of the electric railway—an ideal site for which the boys will ever be greatly grateful.

Rudolph Miller of near Rush Hill was in to see us Saturday to renew for the Message. He says he is putting in 110 acres of oats. That's a pretty good field for this late in the season, but we hope he'll make it a profitable planting all right.

## REPUBLICANS RESOLUTE.

### All Is Harmony—Delegates Dine Together.

The Message went to press too early last week to give full report of the Republican convention. We told of the election of Clarence A. Barnes of Mexico and Oscar Meyersieck of Franklin county being chosen as delegates to the Chicago convention.

John Nebal, formerly prosecuting attorney of Montgomery county, was chosen elector.

The only slip of a cog was when in the first ballot Meyersieck received forty-nine votes and Barnes and Robert Silver of St. Charles tied with forty-eight votes each. The chair held Meyersieck to be elected, and was backed up in his decision by the majority of the delegates.

Dr. Geo. F. Ayers of St. Charles, who nominated Silver, contended the procedure was irregular and for a while it looked like three delegates, each entitled to two-thirds of a vote at the convention, were elected.

The crowd called for a speech from Barnes, who responded by offering to resubmit the matter to the delegates. "I feel that two delegates can best cast the vote of the Ninth District in Chicago for Mr. Taft than three and I am willing to leave the matter to this convention to decide," Barnes declared.

"I am willing to do anything that shall result in this meeting being absolutely harmonious and without a sign of dissension. We should do that which should best subserve the interests of the Taft men."

Shouts of applause greeted Barnes' remarks, and in the vote that followed not a dissenting voice was against him.

Mayor Willard Potts of Mexico made an address of welcome at the court house when the convention opened. Potts, a Democrat, complimented the delegates for the harmonious spirit that prevailed.

The delegates were the guests of the Audrain County Republican Committee at a dinner served by the women of the Methodist church.

The work of Barnes, state committeeman, and John X. Brown, chairman of the Audrain County Republican Committee, was praised for its efficiency.

Taft was endorsed, also Taft's Tariff Board; likewise his prosecution of unlawful combines from which \$4,000,000 in fines has been collected in the past three years.

Roosevelt's re-call idea was deprecated. Gov. H. S. Hadley's administration was endorsed and approved.

The Clarkson Hotel here was traded this week by its owner, O. H. Harker of Illinois, to R. E. Renfro, of Kansas City, for 1,200 acres of land in St. Clair county, Mo.

Mrs. Mary Walker has entered suit in the Circuit Court to get possession of her property on East Jackson street in this city which she alleges her agent is holding unlawfully.

H. H. Meyer, the contractor here, received a car load of glass a few days ago which he will use in the construction of buildings he has under contract to put up in Mexico this summer.

Andrew Hansaker of this city was operated on for appendicitis last Saturday. His condition has been quite serious.

Mrs. Rolla Torreyson of near Thompson, visited Laddonia friends last week.

## DOUBLE TRACK PLAN.

### "The Only Way," Wabash and Burlington Are in On a Deal.

Omar Gray's Sturgeon Leader tells of the new traffic arrangements soon to go into effect between the Wabash, Burlington and Alton in this part of the state. From Clark to Mexico, so his article states, the Alton and Burlington will use the Wabash tracks with the Wabash in going east and in going west all three roads will use the Alton tracks between the same two points.

This will eliminate the necessity of the Wabash double tracking between Mexico and Clark. A double track from Clark to Moberly will carry out the plan for the Wabash while the Alton and Burlington will only have the double track arrangements from Clark to this city. The trains, when not running over their Company's tracks will make no stops. For instance, the Alton and Burlington trains will not stop at Sturgeon.

## Mr. Haskell Hurt.

Ben Haskell, of the firm of Haskell Bros., machinists and carriage makers, suffered a badly mangled hand last Monday morning while pushing a board thru a planer. The board broke and his right hand was caught in the cogs. He lost his little finger and the hand was so bruised and torn otherwise that it will be some little time before he can go to work again.

## Two Great Speakers.

Rev. J. E. Dillard, Delmar Avenue Baptist church, St. Louis, will preach the Baccalaureate sermon at Hardin College Sunday morning, May 26th.

Dr. Nathaniel Butler, University of Chicago, will deliver the graduating address Tuesday night, May 28th. Dr. Butler's subject will be "The Uses of Literature."

The Laddonia Herald says it learns that Mrs. B. W. Hale of Lake Arthur, N. M., was the recipient of a handsome automobile, a present from her husband on a recent birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Hale are well remembered in this county.

Joe Jesse has sold his West End Bakery store to David D. Sullivan and the latter has possession. Mr. Jesse thinks of locating in New Mexico in a few months, going there for the benefit of his wife's health. We shall be sorry to lose them from Mexico.

The following good people have renewed for the Message within the past week: W. A. Davis, Rudolph Miller, Henry Youngblood, J. W. Howell, Wm. Youstemeier, T. T. Bassett, W. H. Mallory, James E. Haley and Marston W. Beemer.

Ernest Grubb, of Laddonia, this county, is making a great record as a professional shot over the country. He was at Perry, Okla., recently and one of the papers there gave him quite a write-up.

R. B. Sims is suing David Arnold in the Circuit Court for \$621 which he claims he overpaid the said Arnold in the sale of 49 head of steers.

S. D. Stocks of this city presided at the Missouri Presbytery held at Auxvasse last week. Every minister in the Presbytery was in attendance.

## District Deputy M. W. A.

L. E. Worner, of Linneus, Mo., is to be the new District Deputy of the Eighth Missouri District, for the Modern Woodmen, with headquarters in Mexico. Mr. Worner is already here. He will bring his family here about the first of next month. He has a wife and one small child, Margaret. We are glad to welcome them to Mexico. One or two other important towns in the district wished to get them, but they centered on Mexico, and we are glad of their good choice.

Besides Audrain Mr. Worner has the oversight of the following other counties: Monroe, Ralls, Pike, Randolph, Boone, Callaway, Montgomery, Lincoln, Warren and St. Charles.

## Next Convention Here.

S. J. Duncan and C. H. Rowland of this city attended the public utilities convention held in Joplin last week and they were instrumental in pulling the next annual convention to Mexico, which is to be held here April 16, 17 and 18, 1913. About 300 delegates will be here. Displays of gas, electrical and waterworks machinery will be a big feature of the meeting.

## Corn Growers' Contest.

The following are among those who have entered the Mexico Commercial Club's Boys' Corn-Growing Contest:

Mexico: Ed. Moore, Rossie Pease, Geo. Slonaker.

Laddonia: Leland Spencer, John Stuart.

Martinsburg: Adolph Paschang, Victor Klingele.

Dr. C. M. Cowherd, of Santa Fe, Mo., lately a graduate of a veterinary school in Kansas City, has located in Mexico and has an office in the Planters Hotel. He is an excellent gentleman and wants to see you when you have any business in his line.

Much heavy hail fell in the vicinity of Molino last Friday afternoon. Hail also fell four miles southeast of here and there was hail and a heavy rain from there on to the Eckler neighborhood.

H. O. McPheeters, one of Laddonia's hustling business men, was in Mexico last Friday.

Mrs. J. L. Shobe and little daughter visited Laddonia relatives last week.

Miss Nellie Lockridge, the 17 year old daughter of Garland Lockridge, formerly of this county, died a few days ago at her parents' home in Texas.

That was an awful happening this week, near the New Foundland shores, when over 1,500 people lost their lives at sea. Read account elsewhere in this paper.

Attorney Frank R. Jesse of this city is in Washington, D. C., at Champ Clark headquarters, helping to boost the Speaker for president of the U. S.

A marriage license was issued Monday of this week to Mr. Geo. E. Stewart and Miss Maude Gerich.

Miss Nola McCord of this city visited Miss Lydia Hutton in Laddonia a few days since.

Born, last Friday, to Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Larue, near Mexico, a ten pound son.

Mrs. E. C. Kennen of Laddonia visited her daughter in St. Louis last week.

J. C. Ringo has been laid up ten days with sore throat.

## AWFUL SEA DISASTER.

### Over 1,500 People Sank to Death Near New Foundland.

Cape Race, N. F., April 15.—The steamer Titanic sank at 2:20 this morning and 1,525 persons on board were lost. This news comes after passengers were reported safe.

The steamer Olympic reports that the steamer Carpathia reached the Titanic's position at daybreak today, but found only boats and wreckage.

She reported that the Titanic had foundered at about 2:20 a. m. in latitude 41:18 north and longitude 50:14 west.

The message adds that all the Titanic's boats were accounted for and "about 675 persons saved, crew and passengers" (the latter nearly all women and children).

There were about 2,200 persons in all, crew and passengers, on board the Titanic.

The report from the Olympic states that the Leyland liner California was remaining and searching the vicinity of the disaster. The Carpathia, it was stated, was returning to New York with the survivors.

The Allen Line offices at Montreal announce tonight that the Virginian had transferred the passengers which she took from the Titanic to the Carpathia shortly after receiving them. This change was made because the Carpathia was bound for New York while the Virginian was east bound with the mails.

Eight St. Louisans were aboard the Titanic when she collided with the iceberg that sank the ship.

They are: Mrs. Edward S. Robert, her daughter, Miss Georgette Madill, and her niece, Miss Elizabeth W. Allen, of 4140 Lindell boulevard.

Theophile Papin, Jr., of Papin & Tontrup Realty Co., 3735 Lindell boulevard.

Spencer V. Silverthorne, buyer for B. Nugent & Bro. Dry Goods Co., No. 5844 Von Versen.

Charles M. Hayes, president of the Grand Trunk Railroad, with his wife and daughter. Hays was formerly a resident of St. Louis, and married a sister of Norris B. Gregg of that city.

Miss May Birkhead, formerly of Louisiana, Mo., is distributing "Houn' Dog" buttons in New York favoring Champ Clark for President.

The Glasgow Missourian reports that Jesse Kennedy, 73 years old, formerly of Audrain county, died in St. Louis last week.

Born, Monday, of this week, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pierce of this city, a son. Mr. Pierce is the happiest man in Mexico.

Mrs. Eliza Threlkeld has been seriously ill at the home of her son, Hiram Threlkeld, near Beaver Dam.

Miss Ethel Reed of this city has been visiting Centralia friends.

Dr. W. H. Hickman, Osteopathic Physician, Pasqueth Bldg. 11.

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